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CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb., 5th, 1880.

Editor Louisianian:

It is one of the most encouraging signs of the times that while the Democrats appear to be bitterly divided among themselves in their preferences for a Presidential candidate, the Republicans throughout the country evince a willingness to accept any good man and accord him a cordial, energetic support. The gentlemen who are prominently connected with the Republican nomination for President are pursuing a dignified manly course in saying very little, and that little well on speaking in friendly terms of each other, and in leaving the result to the current of public opinion, and disinterested friends rather than upon their own efforts as most of "paid agents" as Mr. Otney would say. The general feeling here seems to be that the best and most available man should be nominated, Though the Grant tide is up at high water mark, the existence of this social feeling in Republican ranks is a bright augury of Republican victory in the coming campaign.

The political end of the exodus machinery dosen't work well. Twenty refugees emigrate to Kansas; a bad Republican state, where one emigrates to Indiana; a recent Democratic State. They do not seem to rush frantically where they are needed, and the political agency is defective. That anxious committee will spend $15,000 to $20,000, to find out what every body knows, namely that there is no political significance in the colored emigration to Indiana. In fact it is costing the country as much as it would to support the sufferers half the winter.

We learn that a New Orleans paper advocates the encouragement of white immigration from the North to fill the places of the negroes who are leaving the South. It says: "It behooves all classes and all sorts of people to consider how they will get white people to settle on our lands. Get them to begin—a family from one locality in any of the Eastern or Northern or Western States, and an individual loborer from another locality, until the idea of moving to Louisiana takes hold. Then the immigration promoters may disband." This is all very well; but Senator Voorhees might have something to say about it. *If colored citizens haven't the right to move from the South to the North, what right have white citizens to move from the North to the South?* Before entering on such an enterprise it would probably be necessary to get a permit from Voorhees.

Our citizens generally are being awakened to the necessity of sending relief to the Kansas sufferers, and on last Sunday our Sunday School Union decided to make one grand effort in the shape of a gigantic entertainment to take place at an early date.

On Tuesday night the residence of Mr. Thos. F. Dyson was the scene of a lively and determined mustering of our colored political war horses, which resulted in forming a Citizen's League of Cook County, officered as follows: R. M. Hancock, President; T. Dyson, First Vice President; John Brown, Second Vice President; R. M. Mitchell, Third Vice President; E. C. Waring, Recording Secretary; Paul Jones, Corresponding Secretary; William Baker, Treasurer, and an official board of twenty-five members.

As we desire to keep you posted on "coming events" of this character we would state that the Illinois Republican State Central Committee will meet here on the 20th of this month. As the national convention meets in June it is thought that the state convention will be called sometime in May.

And thus you see that ere long we will hear the tocsin of war.

Charley Campbell the fiend who so cowardly murdered Mr. Fenton M. Beattie an esteemed colored citizen here, has been granted a continuance of trial until March 1st.

Donavin's "Tennesseans" are still dispensing heavenly melodies to thousands here, and there is apparently no abatement.

Our own home Club the "Ivy" have obtained one of the commodious ante-rooms of Olivet Church, where they will *rendezvous* in the future. Their first sociable will occur Friday night week.

Major Scott, Captains Hubbard and Moore, and Lieut. White are contemplating attending the officer's convention of the colored National Guards Union, which is to be held at Columbus, O., on the 16th inst. Capt. Ned Brown has had the "goodness" to send us a handsome poster setting forth the attractions of the day (or three days rather). Of course it will be a repetition of the one held here, which to say was enjoyable is very mildly expressing it. A full delegation is expected from St. Louis, Cleveland, Chilicothe, Springfield, Chicago and elsewhere. Still Yours.

Wesley.

Chicago, Jan. 29, 1879.

Editor Louisianian:

There are no less than 56 aspirants for the forth coming State elections, and may be summarized thus: (Republicans and Democrats), For Governor, 19, Lieut. Governor, 8, Secretary of State, 6; Treasurer; 10, Auditor; 1, Attorney General; 11, and yet there's more to be heard from.

The political complexion of the State has not changed materially since 1876, when it gave Governor Cullom (the present incumbent) 6,794 Republican Majority over all, and for State Supt. of Schools (Etter) in 1878 gave him over all a majority of 18.825.

A rumor having been afloat that Gen. John A. Logan had combined with Secretary Sherman and somebody else to carry Illinois for him, (Logan,) he emphatically denies it, and he thinks the Republicans of this State will attend to that business without his assistance. He is not, or will not, be a candidate for Governor. But he wants it desiinctly understood that he is for Grant for President.

There are political elements that control thousands of votes, that are bitterly opposed to the two dominant parties who are known as *True Blue Republicans and Bourbon Democrats*, those elements are Socialists and Greenbackers. They declare that they care nothing for the success of either party.

And should these persistent elements refuse to assimilate with either party, standing boldly upon their own platforms throughout the Presidential campaign, it is beared by over ambitious political speculators that it will be felt as to the complexion of Ohio, New York and Illinois. The fact is, and the greatest probabilities are that these elements will not hold together long enough, and doubtless when the day of reckoning (the returns) comes they will have been found to be much divided between the two greater parties.

There must be some impelling cause for the great exodus, and the Northern heart will remain convinced that nothing short of gross and vile injustice will account for the unnatural current of emigration which continues with increasing numbers. And it is a matter of regret that it is impossible in the present exasperated state of Southern sentiment to disseminate correct information in regard to the prospects of such emigrants in the North. But then we have Senator Windom's words for it that "it is a good thing in every way—good for those who go, good for the localities they go to, good for those who stay in their own homes, and good for the whites of the South." Just herald this forth to them, please.

Late dispatches continue to tell us that every day numbers of emigrants pass through Kansas City for Kansas, and that within the next three months fully ten thousand will leave the South for that and adjacent States

The relief work is progressing nicely and contributions of every description are being forwarded daily from this city, and throughout the Northwest.

We shudder as we chronicle the fact that one of the most heartless and unprovoked murders, that have been committed here for some time, was that of the murder of Fenton M. Beattie a highly respected middle aged colored man doing business here as a *restauranteur*, which was done by a notorious character known as Charlie Campbell, who being drunk at the time, staggered against Mr. Beattie who was going an oppostie direction on Harrison St., last Saturday evening and knocked his hat from his head. The refusal of Mr. Beattie to pick it up at his (Campbell's) command aroused the latter's blood or whiskey and without scarcely a word of warning fired two fatal shots at Mr. Beattie, who died in less than an hour after. The murderer was captured and now languishes safely behind the bars. Deceased was 33 years old, a member of Western Star Lodge, I. U. O. F. 1443, and leaves a beloved wife, and child of 13 years, to mourn the sad loss. The remains were taken to Zanesville, O., for burial, Monday evening. Nearly three hundred brethren and friends of the family escorted the remains to the depot.

Excitement was intense for lynching the fiend, but no doubt justice will be well meted to him.

At last a long felt want is to be supplied which was caused by the most unexpected demise of the *Canservator* last August. Mr. George Beard a young and accomplished colored gentleman, a practical printer and no doubt otherwise competent man for the business, announces that he will issue on the 7th prox., a weekly paper devoted exclusively to the interest of the colored people. The new sheet will be of twenty columns (four pages), and will sail under the title of the *Republican Advocate*. It will be hailed with delight, by our people throughout the State and also by its contemporaries.

If Chicago isn't to have the Democratic National Convention, why not? Anyhow it is said that Potter Palmer will contribute $5,000 towards having it here. While Mr. Goudy a member of the Committee says he doesn't care a continental whether it is held here or in Halifax. Well, allright suppose you try Maine, gentlemen?

Donavin's "Tennesseans" (Jubilee Singers) are with us and will remain for a week longer. They are gifted in voice, and highly spoken of. They are filling engagements with the largest churches and will sing in the new Central Hall next week.

The old veterans of the G. A. R. department of Illinois are "fighting their battles over again" in grand style, here by winding up their State Convention with a grand banquet.

Yours as usual,

Wesley.

Some men are so awful slow that the only time they get ahead is when they buy cabbage.

Hall C. M. P. U.

Whereas—It has seemed good to the Almighty Disposer of events to remove from our midst our late worthy and esteemed fellow comrade Charles B. Smith.

And Whereas—The intimate relation long held by the deceased with the members of this order render it proper that we should place upon record our appreciation of his services as a comrade, and his merits as a man,

Therefore be it resolved—That we deplore the loss of Chas. B. Smith, with feelings of deep regret, softened only by the confident hope that his spirit is with those who, having fought the good fight here, are enjoying perfect happiness in a better world.

Be it further resolved—That we tender to his afflicted relatives our sincere condolence and our earnest sympathy in their affliction at the loss of one who was a good citizen, a devoted comrade and upright man.

Be it further resolved—That we members wear the emblems of mourning for 30 days.

Be it further resolved—That a copy of the foregoing resolutions, signed by President and attested by the Secretary be transmitted to the relatives of the deceased.

Adopted, New Orleans, February 3rd, 1880.

Benjamin Rice, President.

Wm. B. Ricce, Secretary.

Bastrop, La., Jan. 26th, 1880.

Mr T. De S. Tucker,

Dear Sir:—There is one subject that continually haunts my mind, that of commerce. And I thought I would drop you a few lines on it.

A gentleman told me not long since, that we can never become a people, until all those of slavery times are dead and gone. These times must be read of, he said, as we now read of things that happened a hundred years ago. His allusion was of course to politics, but there is a commercial world, which is larger and greater for us to make attainments in, than we can ever hope for in the vague field of politics.

We are known the world over as a good natured and mild tempered people, two of the most indispensable requisites to make a successful man in business. If you look at business, those most successful, are those noted for politeness.

We have no where, scarcely a colored man in business to whom we can refer with pride, for the simple reason our men of means are unwilling to venture. Too timid because some miscalculating spendthrift entered into business and failed.

The unflinching perseverance of Mr. Still of Philadelphia and Mr. Platt of Chicago, have made for themselves names which they richly deserve, but these gentlemen are now aged and must soon pass away. I allude to them with pride to remind us what we can do if we will only try.

I know as a people, we are daunted with painful recollections of the past, but show me the history of any people that has become successful that has not undergone the same. Our most successful business houses in New York, are those which failed in 1837 and 1857, but the climax of their failure, laid the foundation of their princely fortunes to-day.

In spite of all, we have yet excellences left that may be shaped into the noblest of mankind. Our white friends know something of our business qualities and have never failed to make use of them, even in *ante bellum* times. It is quite common now to see colored men employed as clerks during busy season here. I ask you just to stop a while and think of this. If such is the case now what will it be after while? Why simply this. Every store will want a colored clerk. That is exactly how it is going to end. But only a short while back, any man who would have employed a colored man to clerk for him would have been hooted down severely, but it is not so now, his colors are up, and he is presented in a new light entirely, he is hailed as shrewd because it attracts a larger trade. Dear friend, we see through it all, there is no keeping down now, we are in the ascendency.

Within the narrow borders of our little parish, there is an encouraging buying and opening of land among our people, which will some day feed a merchant of our people, could he become known as an honest upright business man. We have among those working their own places, some who make over a hundred bales of cotton, many of whom would gladly speak of doing business with our own merchants.

No personal dislike whatever is manifested of any colored man who starts for himself a business; on the other hand a clemency prevails and he shares among his patrons a large number of the whites. Let us not flinch but go boldly out to conquer, but not as the young man who accepted a position in a business house at a dollar a day. After one day's work, declining because it was small wages, notwithstanding his inexperience in business and the promise of advancement, if he proved efficient, he wandered off, and is to-day in the South working for twenty-five dollars a month, and employed not half the year at that. Thus he whiles away the time on the scanty fragments of a country school, when he might have been a man prominent in some business house to-day, because he has a tact for that particular business.

We have had no winter, so to speak, except during holidays, had a sudden rush of a few cold days. The clouds were heavy and of a dismal color in them. Deep hung old Sol with a sort of smutty face. Occasionally furious winds blew. Snow and rain fell and then a freeze when morning came. The weather has in it now all the temperaments of Spring. The peach trees have put out blooms. Stock is suffering on account of the drought. Laborers generally are tranquil. Health fair and two subscribers for you, each one proposes to take it to see how they will like it, and only want it for half year each.

Yours etc., Very faithfully.

Robert H. Jones.

Death of a Colored Physician.—Dr. A. W. Tucker, a prominent colored physician of Washington, D. C., died a few days ago, of heart disease, at his home in Michigan. He was a surgeon in the Union Army during the war. At the close of the rebellion he lived in Alexandria, Va., for a short time, after which he went to the Capital of the Nation, where he had a large practice, and was highly respected by the medical faculty of Washington.—Ex.

A Frenchman living in Louisiana, whose wife deserted him, amused his neighbors by telling how he got her back without trouble. "Did I run after her to come back?" he dramatically asked. "No, I did not run after her. I zhust publish in ze papaire zat I have drawn fifty thousand dollars in ze lottery, and she was back much quicker zan in no time!"—Ex.

Chew Jackson's best Sweet Navy tobacco.

The Louisianian.

T. DE S. TUCKER, J. D. KENNEDY. } Editors.

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The *States* were recently *Democratic* when there was a Burke against a mere Hearsey.

The Legislature proposes to establish an immigration bureau. The State has had furniture of this kind before, but it has always remained empty.

The immense influx of strangers in the city during the week attest the high growing appreciation attached to the delights of Shrove Tuesday.

"The Grant movement is dead," says an exchange. And the coldness of the corpse is perhaps what lately produced a very painful chill Blaine in Pennsylvania.

A son of ex-Senator Morton was defeated in the Senate for the position of Collector of Internal Revenue at San Francisco. The great man's name has lost its terror.

The *Returning*—Boarders are still masters of the situation. If while they are simply returning they can grab and keep all the fat on the official table, what show in the dence will there be for poor humanity when they get home to stay!

The Voorhees Exodus Committee reveals the ridiculous fact that more women than men have emigrated to Indiana from the Tar State. Whenever women become voters, Mr. Voorhees will have cause to fear the exodus; but till then, he'd better play quits on this committee business.

New Orleans may not be the "Paris of America" like Cincinnati in beer drinking and boisterous music so called, but in catering to the esthetic tastes of the cultured, her works not only speak for her, but proclaim her the capital city of pleasure and gaiety in the United States.

Harper's Weekly is laboring to prove that there are twenty thousand Republican scratchers in New York who are scratching vigorously to find a Utopian candidate for the Presidency. Mr. Curtis and his friends are too far from earth to stumble on the good man for whom they are searching.

It is to be hoped the *Picayune* is now extremely happy since our Northern visitors have seen the National colors profusely displayed, courtesy shown them, and invitations given them to paid balls. Somehow in this section we need to do all these little things to convince the obstinate Republicans of the North that we are neither sectional nor proscriptive.

Convict Slavery.

The gigantic outrages on our race which have been unearthed by investigations in the prison systems of Georgia, Kentucky and Texas are, it may be happily remarked, among the last lingering remains of that fell curse which brutalized us for two centuries and upwards. The fiendish origin of slavery rendered its existence incompatible with the blazing light of christian civilization; hence it is quite natural that the shadow of it, long after its legal execution has taken place, should stalk about in the dark recesses of prison walls. It is something of a relief, in contemplating the barbarities which have been laid bare to the light of day, to know that the humanizing effect of fifteen years of freedom on the Southern people will not tolerate this *quasi* state of slavery; and that Legislators no longer fear to lose favor with their constituents by demanding a prompt redress of the wrongs which the modesty of justice has so long prevented it from obtruding on the sensibilities of the humane. The prison systems of the States above mentioned have aided much in the propagation of vice and crime among our people in the several States in which they hold sway. Severe laws and their consequent punishments far outstretching the nature of the crimes on which they are visited, are not less subversive of the good order of society than are weak and partial laws. When men are consigned to the penitentiary for a term of years at hard labor for the theft of a chicken, side by side with a red-handed murderer, they will leave their gloomy cells only with a sense of degradation which will render them hardened villains and irreclaimable to the demands of good citizenship. It would not be the least amiss, if our State penitentiary were to have a thorough overhauling. We trust the good people of Georgia and the other States concerned will rest satisfied with nothing less than a complete reformation of their prison systems.

The Associated press dispatch of the 13th says:"

"Ex-Gov. Pinchback, of Louisiana, and his friends, comprising Burch, Kennedy, Kenner and other prominent Republicans of that State, who have been in Washington urging Pinchback's appointment as Surveyor of the Port of New Orleans. will leave for the latter city to-night in the interest of Gen. Grant for the Presidency. They allege that Pinchback was promised the appointment of Surveyor, and that subsequently this promise was ignored and Lewis retained. They hold Secretary Sherman responsible for the disappointment of Pinchback, and intend to prevent him from getting the Louisiana delegation to the Chicago Convention, if they can,"

From this we may fairly be led to ask whether any Louisianian in Washington opposed Gov. Pinchback at all. Poor Secretary Sherman is made to saddle the *onus* of the whole affair. It may be, and it may *not* be. Anyhow, there are very lively times ahead in the near future. The real friends of the ex-Governor are heartily glad that he is returning home foot-loose. Patronage or no patronage, the voice of the people will be heard in the coming struggle to the sore disgust of schemers.

—Ex-Senator Simon Cameron, the Nestor of the Republican party, was in the city during the Carnival, and appeared to enjoy the pageants of Rex with as much zest as would a juvenile. He had an interesting interview with a few Republicans just prior to his departure for Jacksonville, Fla. The retired statesman is said to be a warm advocate of the Silent Man for the Republican presidential nomination. Senator Don is thus in hearty accord with his distinguished sire. The ex-Senator was the first in Mr. Lincoln's Cabinet to propose the arming of colored men.

Our Washington *confreres* the *Advocate* and *Argus* are passing unkind words at each other. Surely the good sense of those journals should stand proof against personal dissensions.

Fallen!

The inevitable law of our being is to dissolution and decay. The hale, vigorous man, in the pride of conscious power, will not more surely pass away from the activity of life and return to the original elements of his composition than does the bright hued flower which is made but to please the sight for a few days at the longest and then drop off to furnish food for another of its kind. As all animate and inanimate creation must some time cease their functions, so is it in the course of life the seal of death is at times placed on us in one or more of our attributes. We love, we become devoted, nay, we become the veriest slaves to the object of the holiest of all the passions, and rise up some pleasant morning to find our gay dreams of bliss vapored into nothingness. From the heights of an apparently unalloyed happiness, lulling our senses, despite bitter experience to the contrary, into a fancied belief that life is not after all half as thorny as we would either make or conceive it, we fall into the abyss of gloom, desolation and despair. To-day reputation and character stand out a brilliant beacon in the dark and tortuous ways of an unfriendly world to guide aright the steps of a contrite Magdalen, and on the morrow we are beggars in morals and paupers in honor and respect. Such is the painful panorama of existence we are forced to contemplate. We seem to be in this community in an epidemic of moral falls. No one is stable. The esteemed, cherished and loved maiden in the sweetness of angelic innocence may be in a passing hour the victim of man's inhumanity to her honor.

Fallen as many have before, and fallen as many perhaps may ye become, who is there of us that has not had a sister or brother, and, in consideration of whom under similar misfortune, we should not rather pity than criticise with bitterness? To censure, to judge harshly and to condemn is a kind of false pride indulged in only by the unfeeling, but to deal gently with the erring and regret the wrong is the attribute of those who have most in them the milk of human kindness.

We are pleased to acknowledge receipt of a copy of *Republican Advocate*, a new paper begun in Chicago by Mr. Geo. Beard, sole editor and proprietor. The appearance of the new candidate for public appreciation is quite attractive, and gives proof of a coming life of activity and usefulness. We welcome Mr. Beard into the fraternity and wish him the success justified by the initial copy of his paper before us.

—Mr. Charles H. Van Vranken, of Albany, N. Y., and Mr. Thos. Lattimore, of South Glen Falls, N. Y., have visited the city the past week and have been the recipients of much attention, not the least of which was the delightful entertainment given in their honor by the Misses Somerville on Saturday evening last, which all present pronounced one of the most elegant of the season.—*People's Advocate*, (Washington.)

Friend F. W. Barington of Monroe will please accept our thanks for the kind letter of correction in reference to our obituary notice of his father. The old gentleman is still in the flesh and bids fair to see many a happy return of his natal day. Anyhow he has had the pleasure of reading a sketch of his life by one who esteems him for his sterling worth.

On the opening of Parliament, Lord Beaconsfield through the Queen, kindly informed the world that the gallant Zulus had been conquered, the Afghans suppressed, but was profoundly ignorant of the fact, as his silence implies, that a disastrous famine is ravaging one of the islands of the United Kingdom. To be absent minded is at times as agreeable to the conscience of a statesman as lying is to a political perjured swearer.

The Legislature.

Beyond the case of Hon. David Young the member claiming the seat in the House for Concordia, nothing of interest occurred the past or present week in the General Assembly since our last issue. The case of Mr. Young was decided on Wednesday by the refusal of the House to seat him on the ground of ineligibility under the new Constitution. This case is remarkable in all its aspects. The clause of the Constitution on which the House justified its action directs that no one who is custodian of public moneys shall be eligible to any office of public trust, unless he shall have received previous to such election a settlement in full and quietus for the same of such funds as may have been in his custody from his successor in office. Mr. Young was for years treasurer of the school board of his parish. Before the last election, he made a full settlement with his successor, the school board, all other parties legally concerned and received a quietus. On the strength of this, upon being elected, he came to take his seat in the House. Objection being raised at the time to his being sworn in, a special committee was appointed to investigate the matter. With the exception of the Chairman, the committee unanimously agreed to grant him his seat. The chairman brought in a minority report which, after a heate debate, prevailed over that of the majority, and the member from Concordia was declared not entitled to a seat. The very retroactive spirit of the new Constitution by which the voters of Concordia have been so outrageously disfranchised should have been warning to the House that they were on very questionable ground; much more so is this the case when, as the facts above stated, show that Young had strictly complied with the law by a settlement of his accounts which had been approved by the school board, the present treasurer and the courts of his parish. Take it in any light one will, it is an arbitrary and villainous act which the dominant party in the Legislature cannot undertake to defend. We know nothing of the equities of the case; but we dare say it would have been a matter of good and sound policy, as Mr. Young's case appears, to have admitted him to his seat and silence any charge of bad faith against the Democrats, which is sure to take place in Young's section of the State. If the Democracy are hopelessly wedded to the "white man's government" principle that they can indifferently discard policy at least, our people can brook the result about as well as the former.

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Personals.

—Mr Wall. ex-clerk, of Concordia parish, was in the city during the Carnival.

—Gov. Pinchback left Washington Wednesday last on his way home. He will pass by Chicago.

—Mr. Tipton, of the well known Tipton well at Jackson, Miss., took in a full share of the joys of Mardi Gras.

—Mr. Philip Joseph, late of Madison Parish (La.) has begun the publication of a paper at Mobile, Ala.

—W. H. Fitzhugh, Esq., our agent at Natchez, Miss., has been confirmed postmaster of that pleasant town.

—Senator Jonas disclaims any intention on his part to legislate Judge Billings out of office. The result will tell.

—Hon. J. B. Eustis is spoken of in connection with the position of Chief Justice. Gov. Wiltz could hardly make a better selection.

—James Gordon Bennett has a princely revenue. His benefactions are likewise princely, as his subscription to the Irish Relief Fund shows.

—Louis Trager, Esq., for many years consul at Boulogne sur-mer in France, and at other points in Europe, is once more at home in Louisiana.

—Hon. David Young and family left for home Wednesday evening. By failure to get his seat, Concordia is left without representation in the House.

—S. R. Lowery, Esq., of Huntsville, Ala., on motion of Mrs. Belva Lockwood, has been admitted to practice in the U. S. Supreme Court. Mr. Lowery is one of the leading colored men of Northern Alabama.

—Chief Justice Waite of the U. S. Supreme Court was among the throng of visitors during the Carnival In private life, the Chief Justice is one of the most affable and attractive of gentlemen. The Supreme Court has to Waite on his return for the decision of some very important cases.

—Miss Elliott, of Vicksburg was of the numerous host of Mississippians who visited the city during the week to be enrolled in the list of the Carnival's admirers. From all appearance she returned home happily impressed with the favors dispensed by the ever mirthful monarch of Mardi Gras. She was the guest of Mrs. Bernard.

—Mr. Furniss and lady, of Hazlehurst, Miss., arrived in the city on Sunday morning to pay a willing homage to the beneficent rule and glories of our liege lord and sovereign, Rex. They were the guests of Col. Ireland who strove to do the honors with commendable grace. We feel safe to say he succeeded in making his guests and relatives happy.

—W. A. Caldwell, graduate of the Colored, Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution of Raleigh, (N. C.) left for Alabama last week to take position as teacher in a family of mutes in that State by the name of Locklayer. "This is the first instance," says the *N. C. Republican*, from which we cull the above statement, "where a colored person has ever been employed as teacher in a white family."

By actual count, we learn 750 laborers left Delta, (Madison Parish) last week for Kansas. They are arriving in large numbers at the river from the parishes of Ouachita and Morehouse. Such is their anxiety to get away that many of them come to the landings all the way afoot. The sanguine journalists who professed to believe that whites would fill up the gap about as fast as the blacks could get away, have now a chance to realize their expectation. Let these white husbandmen hurry up to the rescue, or the bulls will have it all their own way in fixing the price of the next cotton crop.

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Senator Gla, Messrs. Vance, Wadell, Wilson and Massee left the city on Thursday evening for Lake Providence, where they go to take charge of their respective duties.

Mr. Hunt of Chicago and Messrs. Crayton, Clark and Robison of Vicksburg, Miss., were in the city during the Carnival festivities.

The Americus Club received its numerous friends on Mardi Gras day and evening, and a most pleasant social reunion was had in its spacious Club rooms. The Executive Committee deserves great credit for the admirable taste displayed in the illuminations.

The political outlook here is indeed a squally one.

Old Probs was propitions to the King and his Knights of the Carnival, and gave to his royal subjects most delightful weather.

Our Mardi Gras celebrations were simply brilliant, magnificent, highly interesting and instructive, equaling, if not exceeding the most sanguine expectations of the numerous thousands who visited this our fair city of the South, where snow never falls and balmy Summer breezes seldom leave us.

The ball given on Mardi Gras night by the Excelsior Brass Band was a most decided financial success, clearing sufficient to purchase a new set of instruments from the well known warehouse of Louis Grunewald, Esq. The success attending the effort of these young men, has occasioned them to adopt a most excellent suggestion of one of their members, the formation of a benevolent association to be known as the "Musicians' Benevolent Society."

After a Carnival of unequaled splendor, mirth and gayety, the lenten season of devotion and penance draws upon us—and until the King of the day has arisen on the Easter morn, the city will be metamorphosed from one of pleasure and hilarity to a citadel of fasting and prayer.

The great metropolitan dailies predict a most exciting contest among the friends of the different presidential aspirants, in the convention called to meet in Chicago June 3rd.

The corners are alive with innumerable rumors of a political character. The leaders have all returned from Washington, and are preparing, and getting well in hand their different forces, preparatory to the approaching struggle. When the die is cast, all chances must have been considered, and in your own mind a decision reached to stand the hazard of the throw.

Mr. Wm. R. Boyd, President of the Mignonette Social Circle, desires us to announce that the regular meeting will take place on Tuesday evening February 17th at the residence of Miss Martha Israel on Dryades St.

Just before going to press, we received a copy of the *Monroe Bulletin*, Vol. 1. No. 1. Just what special need there can be in that pretentious Ouachita village for another Democratic paper, besides the *Telegraph*, is more than we can tell. The paper has however a healthy, live look about it which makes it readable. We cheerfully commend it in everything but its politics which are just a trifle too much for the peace and prosperity of our State.

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